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Remarks

Claims 11-13 and 17 are pending in this case. The Examiner rejected claims 11-13 and 17 on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-20 of US6,541,651. Applicants will submit a terminal disclaimer to overcome this rejection and therefore respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw this rejection and allow claims 11-13 and 17 to issue.

This reply is being submitted within the period for response to the outstanding office action. Although the applicants believe in good faith that no extensions of time are needed, the applicants hereby petition for any necessary extensions of time. You are authorized to charge deposit account 04-1520 for any fees necessary to maintain the pendency of this application. You are authorized to make any additional copies of this sheet needed to accomplish the purposes provided for herein and to charge any fee for such copies to deposit account 04-1520.

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